## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. **(Currently Amended)** An anchorage for at least one pre-tensioned or stressed tensile element, the anchorage comprising: having:

one or more wedges <u>having a first region near a load and a second region</u> remote from the load;

an anchor body, wherein a tensile force is transmittable to the anchor body by means of the one or more wedges; and

wherein the one or more wedges have a wedge shape to slide along an inclined surface of the anchor body to force the one or more wedges against the at least one pre-tensioned or stressed tensile element, the one or more wedges comprising:

a <u>first</u> wedge-shaped layer <u>adjacent a second wedge-shaped</u> layer, the <u>first wedge-shaped</u> having a modulus of elasticity that is lower compared to the modulus of elasticity of other parts of the anchorage <u>including the second wedge-shaped layer</u>, <u>wherein a whereby the</u> greatest thickness of the <u>first</u> wedge-shaped layer, measured normal to the longitudinal axis of the tensile element, lies in the region of the anchorage which is near the <u>a</u> load, <u>wherein the first wedge-shaped layer lowers a stiffness of the one or more wedges in the first region near the load to more evenly distribute contact pressure on a contact area between the at least one pretensioned or stressed tensile element and the one or more wedges.

The characterized in that:</u>

at least one of the wedge and the anchor body is formed by at least two adjacent wedge-shaped layers, with at least one of the wedge-shaped layers being formed from a material having a lower modulus of elasticity than the material from which another layer or layers of the wedge

and/or of the anchor body are formed, and the greatest thickness of said at least one of the wedge-shaped layers is provided in the region near the load.

- 2. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that pores, holes notches or slots are arranged in the layer formed from the material having a lower modulus of elasticity to reduce the stiffness thereof in a direction normal to the longitudinal axis of the tensile element.
- 3. (**Previously Presented**) The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that the different moduli of elasticity of the layers are caused during their manufacture by means of specific treatments such a heating process or a cooling process.
- 4. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that the anchor body as a coupling for two tensile elements is provided with seats for wedges, the seats being oriented opposite to each other.
- 5. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that the layer formed from the material having a lower modulus of elasticity is connected to an adjacent layer having a higher modulus of elasticity via a non-positive or a positive connection.
- 6. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that a transmission of shearing force between the wedge and the tensile element is ensured by a non-positive connection or by form closure.
- 7. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that the ratio of the lower modulus of elasticity to the higher modulus of elasticity is at least 1:2.

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8. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that the wedge-shaped layer having a lower modulus of elasticity is

9. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 1, further characterized in that at least one of the wedge and the anchor body is formed from a material having the higher modulus of elasticity and is provided with filling materials that result in the higher modulus of elasticity.

10. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 5, wherein said non-positive or positive connection comprises:

a profile with a counterprofile; or adhesive bonding.

11. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 6, wherein said non-positive connection or form closure comprises:

friction;

adhesive bonding; or

the shaping of a profile.

12. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 7, wherein the ratio is at least 1:10.

13. **(Previously Presented)** The anchorage according to claim 12, wherein the ratio is in a range from 1:20 to 1:30.

14. (Previously Presented) The anchorage according to claim 11, wherein the filling materials are formed from  $A1_2O_3$ .

15. **(New)** An anchorage for at least one pre-tensioned or stressed tensile element, the anchorage comprising:

an anchor body;

a first wedge-shaped layer having a wedge shape;

a second wedge-shaped layer adjacent the first wedge-shaped layer and having a wedge shape, the first and second wedge-shaped layers having a first regions near a load and a second region remote from the load;

wherein a tensile force is transmittable to the anchor body by means of the first and second wedge shaped layers;

wherein the first and second wedge-shaped layers and the anchor body include an inclined surface to force the first and second wedge shaped layers against the at least one pre-tensioned or stressed tensile element, wherein the first wedge-shaped has a modulus of elasticity that is lower compared to the modulus of elasticity of other parts of the anchorage including the second wedge-shaped layer, wherein a greatest thickness of the first wedge-shaped layer, measured normal to the longitudinal axis of the tensile element, lies in the first region of the anchorage which is near the load and wherein a total thickness of the first and second wedge-shaped layers is smallest in the first region of the anchorage which is near the load.

- 16. **(New)** The anchorage according to claim 15, wherein the first and second wedge-shaped layers form a wedge and the inclined surface is between the wedge and the anchor body.
- 17. **(New)** The anchorage according to claim 15, wherein the first wedge-shaped layer is part of the anchor body and the inclined surface is formed between the first and second wedge shaped layers.